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Note verbale dated 12 January 1994 from the Director-General of the World Health Organization to the Secretary-General

The Director-General of the World Health Organization presents his compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to refer to the Agreement between the United Nations and the World Health Organization of 1948.

Article X, paragraph 4 of the aforesaid Agreement provides that when requesting the International Court of Justice to give an advisory opinion, the World Health Organization shall inform the Economic and Social Council of the request.

The Director-General has the honour to request the Secretary-General to bring to the attention of the Economic and Social Council that pursuant to resolution WHA46.40, adopted by the World Health Assembly on 14 May 1993, the Director-General filed in the Registry of the Court on 3 September 1993 a request for an advisory opinion on the following question:

> "In view of the health and environmental effects, would the use of nuclear weapons by a State in war or other armed conflict be a breach of its obligations under international law, including the WHO Constitution?"

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